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In view of the foregoing election, examination on the merits is earnestly solicited and indication of allowance of at least the elected Group is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe a conference would be of benefit in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, he is hereby invited to telephone counsel to arrange such a conference.

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